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Improved parking lots and paid parking are new to Niagara this fall, but parking spots still seem to be where people think they should be — the closer to classes the better.

Photo by Virgil Klassen

'No' to contract, staff strike vote awaits recount

By BAAITSE MOLAPO
Staff Writer

Support staff at the 23 community colleges voted Tuesday to reject management's contract offer, but the strike vote was too close to call. An official recount will be held on Saturday.

The vote across the province was 65.4 per cent to reject the contract offer. The strike vote was described as about 50-50.

At the college, the vote was 55.6 per cent to reject the contract and 43.8 per cent opposed to a strike.

The negotiating team, the Council of Regents and the mediator will meet today and during the weekend at Toronto in an attempt to reach an agreement, Meg Rose, president of the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) support staff local at the college, said.

One hundred and sixty-two of Niagara College's 179 eligible voters turned up to vote on Tuesday which is 90.5 per cent. "It is an excellent turn-out," Ms. Rose said.

A strike vote for faculty across the province is scheduled for Oct. 12. If the vote is for a strike, it would begin on Oct. 18.

Jim Acsai, president of the Student Administrative Council, says he does not support a strike because it could take away students' summer holidays or even affect their academic year.

New system a 'go', parking woes stay

By SCOTT TRACEY
Staff Writer

One month after paid parking was initiated at Niagara College, there are still 100 cars parked illegally on any given day, Hans van der Slagt, vice-president of administration, said.

Despite the addition of close to 200 parking spots, as well as temporary overflow parking, cars are still parked in handicapped zones, on grass areas, and in fire zones, Sue Den Besten, municipal law enforcement officer, said.

"In two or three weeks everything should be back to normal," Mr. van der Slagt said. "When people start setting up car pools there will be fewer cars parked in the lots."

Although Mrs. Den Besten is "still pretty lenient" when it comes to giving out tickets, she has given out about 400 so far. "Some people don't take it seriously. I've given one guy about 14 tickets."

"There's not been a complaint about the parking policy," Jack Spittle, director of property and plant services, said. "The response has been very positive."

"Students are good but teachers sometimes go off-the-wall," Mrs. Den Besten said.

The parking policy was put into effect to generate "badly needed revenue," Mr. van der Slagt said. "The money is used to maintain the grounds, for paving, snow removal, lighting, grass and things like that."

Mr. Spittle said $100,000 was spent to improve the college parking lots, including paving stoned areas.

The rates were set by a parking committee based on fees charged by other community colleges.

TO REVIEW RATES

An annual review of the rates will be done to determine whether an increase is needed. "I think the rates right now are fairly modest," Mr. van der Slagt said.

Staff and students who lose their passes or have them stolen can receive a replacement for $2. "We've had about 10 passes stolen so far," Sheila Cowan, Secretary of Property and Plant Services, said. "Stolen passes will probably never be recovered because it is too time consuming to check every car."

The paid parking policy has not affected enrolment. "Enrolment is up by one or two per cent overall and first year enrolment is up by about nine per cent," Mr. van der Slagt said.

Courtesy counts

Overheard in the Registrar's office one day this week:

"The front of this place looks like a pig pen!" said a Welland citizen who had just walked in off the street.

The college representative at the counter was surprised and disconcerted. She didn't know what to say; she thanked the man for his comment.

Parking problems bother Mason

While there are mixed reactions regarding Niagara College's new paid parking policy, at least one faculty member has strong opinions.

"If they're not going to enforce it, they should give everyone their money back and forget the whole parking thing," Terry Mason, psychology teacher, said.

His comment is based on personal observations of people breaking "every parking rule there is."

"If there are 100 cars parked illegally every day, why have there only been 400 tickets given out?"

Mr. Mason suggests this is because the college needs a better-organized system of checking passes, as well as a full-time parking attendant. When he suggested this recently, he was told the college had used up all of the money from sold passes and therefore could not afford to improve the system.

"Why have they used up all their money before they get to the very issue they are trying to enforce? That is not good administration," he said.

First-year enrolment establishes record

About 2,012 students have registered for their first year at Niagara College, making the 1989 fall term's enrolment the highest ever recorded in the history of the college, John Parrett, registrar, said.

It marked an increase of 9.46 per cent from the 1,838 who registered for first year in 1988.

A total of 3,342 full-time students registered for the 1989 fall term, an increase of 1.3 per cent from last year's 3,300.

"I am pleased that this year's registration process went well and did not experience line-ups, because of good organization in the registrar's office," Mr. Parrett said.

CAMPAIGN BY PHONE

He attributes the increase to the enrolment management program set up early this year. Program coordinators and senior students took part in a telephone campaign by which potential students across Ontario were contacted and provided with information on courses they applied for.

Mr. Parrett said extra classes were added to programs such as business administration, construction engineering technology and social services to admit more students. The college introduced a culinary skills program due to the demand for graduates from the program.

"The opening of the Hospitality Centre in Niagara Falls has attracted more students in the program than in the past," he said.

His office will look into expanding the enrolment management program in light of this development, he said.

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Faculty, support staff strike may cause student protest

Dear Editor

I am writing you, hoping that this letter can better inform you, and the students of the possibility of a teachers' strike. Hopefully you will print it in your paper.

The support staff will vote on the possibility of a strike on September 26, with the mandate to strike set for October 11. Support Staff consists of such people as Financial Aid personnel, Secretaries, Admissions and Switchboard Operators.

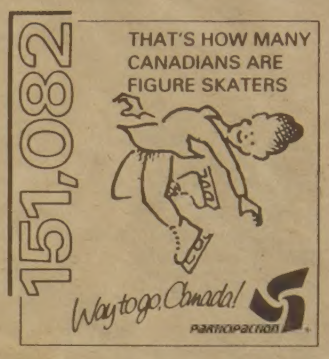
It's not looking good for the students, as Support Staff Union Presidents were quoted as saying, "We recommend you vote 'No' to the offer, and 'Yes' to the strike." If this does happen you might as well just shut down the whole school.

Faculty will vote on October 12, with their mandate to strike set for October 18. If faculty does vote to go on strike, each college in Ontario will attempt to send a busload of students to Queen's Park in Toronto on October 18, to protest.

The protest will be addressed to faculty and the Ontario government stating that they are only hurting the students, and we are a part of the future. Hopefully the students of this school will get involved. Maybe we can do something to help change their minds. For more information about this bus trip, contact the SAC office.

COME ON, TEACHERS, THINK ABOUT YOUR STUDENTS !!!

Concerned
Jim Acsai
President, SAC



Media dep't gets the FAX

It is quick, neat, confidential and — believe it or not — beats the telephone any day. It is the new FAX machine acquired by the media department.

Before, overnight mail delivery was the quickest method to deliver documents; that is history now. With the new telephone facsmile machine, or FAX machine as it is commonly known, document transfer takes place in seconds

Since its acquisition last December the machine has been in the media department. "It is one of the services we provide for the college," Keith Lindberg, manager of the media department, said. "These include audiovisual, television production and other miscellaneous services."

Messages are sent through a dedicated phoneline. Therefore, it is quick, immediate and you get your confirmation within minutes. Unlike the telephone, the FAX machine forces you to organize your thoughts into one or two pages.

To maintain confidentiality, it is operated by three people, but there are plans to reduce them to one. It can, when necessary, be set for confidential information which only the receiver can have access to.

Messages can practically be sent anywhere in the world. The media department has FAX numbers of all colleges in the province and a business directory. "We want people to know that it is here and they can use it at any time they want, " Mr. Lindberg said.

People sending messages within Ontario and to Quebec are charged $1 per page. Those sent anywhere in North America are $2 per page, while those sent to the rest of the world are charged $2 per page and are also charged line charges.

There is a time delay between 11 p.m. and 8 a.m. Charges are 60 per cent less than the regular rate. Messages to friends and relatives must be paid at the time of service.

An ode to Niagara

Dear Editor

During a recent work experience with the Niagara Regional Senior Citizens Department, I met Jack Gillen, an 89-year-old member of the Grimsby Senior Day Program. This program is designed to give meaningful social interaction among people of similar age and operates daily from Monday to Friday.

When Mr.Gillen, a self-taught poet, found I was a member of the Niagara College faculty, he recited a poem to me. With his permission, I am submitting it to your newspaper.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,
Betty Ann Chandler, Reg.N.,
Teaching Master - Nursing
The Mack Centre of Nursing Education

If you're feeling rather glum
Because you're lacking knowledge
Then just meander down the vale
To the big Niagara College.

The adult learning centre
Is the name above the door
And information's to your right
Right there on the first floor.

Where a bonny lass behind the glass
Will tell you what to do and say
That's of course provided
You can tear yourself away.

Forget the bed and keep the head
Indifference you must act
For the dress some females wear down there
Is liable to distract.

Then upstairs to the counselling
Where they will wash your brain
In order to determine
The course at which to aim.

Add 2 and 2 and double it
And when you've got it then
Add another couple
And the answer will be 10.

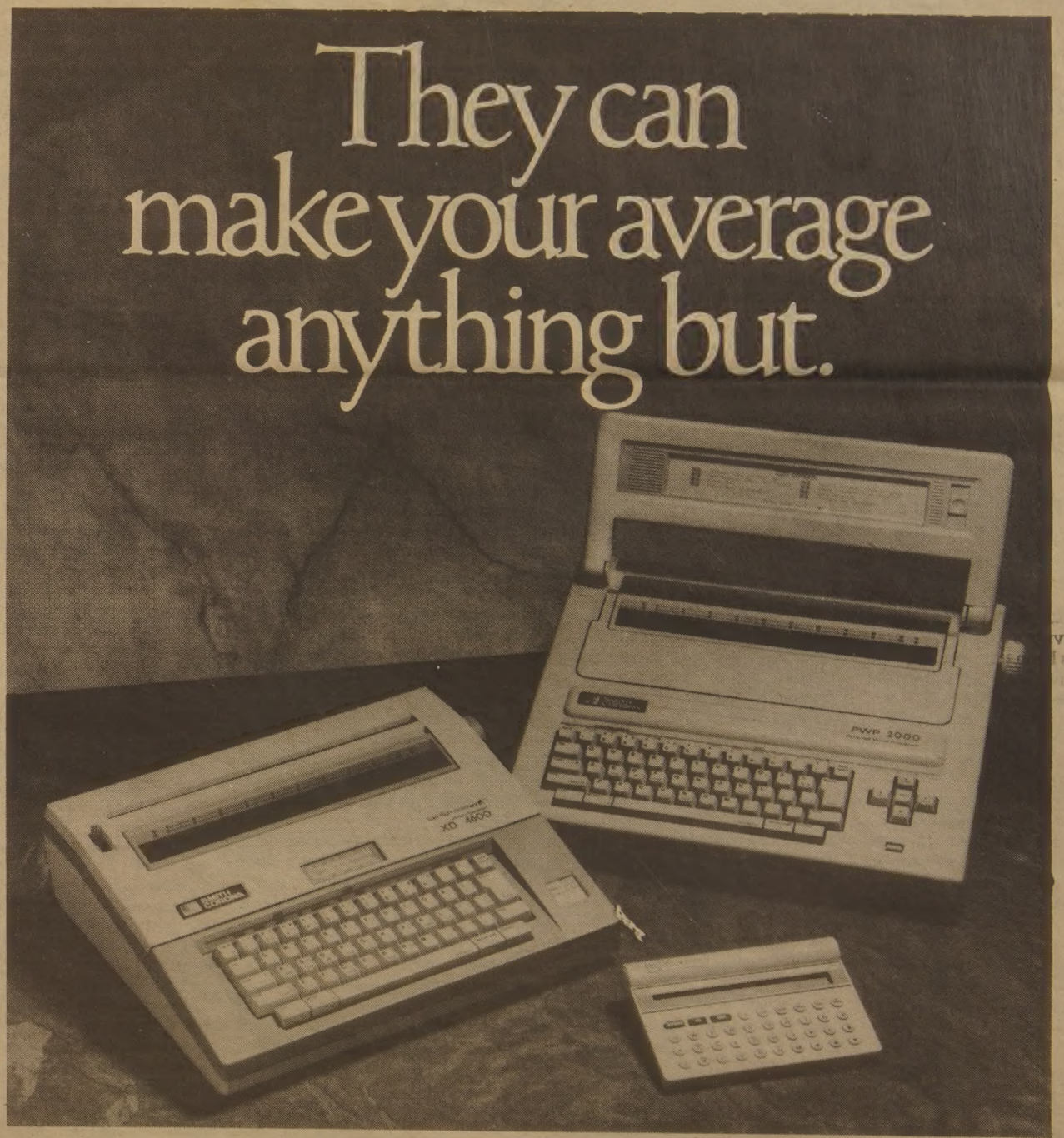
You can learn to read and write
When you have learned to spell
And take one of the courses there
Too numerous to tell.

But if you like to knead the dough
The course that you must take
Is upstairs in the Kitchen
Where you can learn to bake.

The big advantage in this course
If there you wish to toil
Is that you can eat all your mistakes
And all the things you spoil.

So when at last your course is 'ore
And you are leaving college
At least your stomach's full of fort
If your head's not full of knowledge.

They can make your average anything but.



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Search for new president on using ministry guidelines

The Niagara College presidential search committee held its first meeting Sept.19 to begin the process of finding the next college president.

Jacqueline Robarts, College president, notified the board she would not be seeking another term this past August. Her current contract expires Aug. 31, 1990.

Using suggested guidelines from the Ministry of Colleges and Universities, the search committee is made up of five board members appointed by the Board of Governors and representatives from administration, faculty, support staff, and students.

The committee will put together a profile of the type of president they want. It is anticipated that a consultant company will be hired to conduct a cross-Canada search to find the person.

When a list of candidates has been submitted, the search committee will interview them and recommend the best ones to the board, which will make the final choice.

IS CHAIRMAN

Board member Dave Bessey is committee chairman. The other four board members are Bill Heelis, J. Charles Sands, Mary Anne Seppala, and Otto Urbanovics,

The four other constituent representatives were appointed by their constituent groups.

Foster Zanutto, president of the Niagara College Administrative Staff Association, is representing the college's administrative staff.

Joan Hastings-Dove, president of union Local 242, represents the faculty. She said the committee is searching for a consulting company.

Mrs. Hastings-Dove said she sent out a questionnaire this week to all faculty members asking for their input regarding the desired qualities of the next president.

Meg Rose, president of union Local 243, is the support staff's representative.

Ron Ireland, a first-year Niagara College human relations student, was appointed by Student Administrative Council president Jim Acsai as the student representative.

Miss Robarts said she indicated at the beginning of her present four-year term it would be her last term as president. She will have been president of Niagara College for 12 years when she steps down.

Smoke-free policy finds acceptance

By RICHMOND MAHEHE
Staff Writer

People have accepted the new policy declaring Niagara College a smoke-free environment, Hans van der Slagt, vice-president of administration, said; "The implementation has gone well."

But now the college faces a problem of cigarette butts which are thrown everywhere especially near the entrance of the buildings.

To ease this problem, the college is in the process of ordering containers to be used by smokers. Mr. van der Slagt said smokers are going to have a serious problem in cold winter weather .

Last year, the Board of Governors adopted a two-phase smoking policy. The first phase which began last January designated certain areas for smoking, and free Smokenders classes were offered for those who wanted to quit smoking. The second phase effective Sept.1, imposed a total ban on smoking throughout the entire college.

Mr.van der Slagt said when the first phase was implemented, people began to limit their smoking habit. "We all have responsibility to monitor the policy approved by the board." However, creating designated areas for smoking did not provide a smoke-free environment.

About 150 people took advantage of Smokender classes which cost the college $17,425 he said.

Mr. van der Slagt was asked about the mandate handed down to him from Jacqueline Robarts, college president, last year, which stated that the rights of smokers should also be recognized under a smoking policy. He replied that in his view the rights of smokers had taken precedence over the rights of non-smokers in the past.

Niagara College is not the only college in the province which has implemented a smoking policy. Mr. van der Slagt said more than half of the colleges have a smoking policy. Some have a total ban on smoking; others have designated areas.

'The church is still crammed with rubbish'

Fine arts building renovations delayed, Ken Cosgrove angry

By SHELLEY SOUTHCOTT
Staff Writer

Renovations to the Fine Arts facility expected to be done over the summer have not been completed, Ken Cosgrove told the College Council.

The letter, read during the Sept. 12 meeting in the Lundy Building, told council that their recommendations submitted to and approved by the Board of Governors last spring had not been followed up. "For brevity's sake I will tell you what has been done and what has not been done," Mr. Cosgrove, fine arts co-ordinator, said in his letter.

"The church is still crammed with rubbish and remains a fire hazard; the windows remain unsealed; the outlets have not been checked; and one still hangs from the wall. The tables have neither been reinforced nor covered; the sink still leaks; the drainage and heating remains unchecked, and the roof, despite the obvious danger, has not been properly repaired."

KNOWLES SURPRISED

Dr. Tony Knowles, vice-president of academics, said he was surprised by Mr. Cosgrove's letter, although he was aware there had been some difficulties.

"I had the impression that things were improving," Dr. Knowles said. "In fact, I've already approved a part-time technician to go into the place to help Ken with much of this activity."

On his own initiative Mr. Cosgrove has taken down a wall in Portable 1 for space, built a storage room for supplies, painted, moved heavy furniture, and cleaned out drains.

"The drawing studio is now white," his letter said. He got his own painter at about $800 less than another professional quote of $2,400.

"Portable 1 was repaired only after a truck caved in a wall," he said.

REPORT PROGRESS

Council moved to reconvene on the Empire Street Campus to report on the progress of the renovations in response to the letter.

Council was told by Barry Sharpe that Hans van der Slagt, vice-president of administration, had been informed of the situation and had made a commitment to see that it be taken care of.

"I'm not suggesting that the problem is anywhere near solved but some steps toward that have been taken and I agree completely with your suggestion that given the College Council's involvement with this in June, that it is time to go back and see what remains to be done to really solve the problem on Empire Street," Mr. Sharpe said.

Smokers' mess angers janitorial staff

Smoke-free Niagara has come into effect — but not without complaints from both students and staff.

One major adverse affect is the amount of garbage which lies around virtually all entrance ways into the college.

"People don't use the ashtrays outside," Ralph Mancuso, a custodian,said. Many students, forced to smoke outside, now do their eating outdoors, thus making a custodian's job tougher.

"You could spend hours out here cleaning," Emerson Tomlinson, another custodian said.

Other staff members as well as students have also expressed their dismay over the no smoking policy. "There should be a designated smoking area," Sharon Morabito, who works in the Black Walnut cafeteria,said.

Students and staff in the cafeteria have started a petition to protest against the policy. "Two tables in the cafeteria were for smokers and the rest were for non-smokers. People respected that. Why take it away?" Ms. Morabito said.

The controversy is sure to escalate as the cold weather arrives. "Washrooms will be a bugger,"Mr. Tomlinson said. "They should have left it the way it was last year."

"People don't respect the policy," Mr. Mancuso said. He still finds cigarette butts in the halls of certain areas of the school. He suggests a smoking section in each building,"especially in the winter."

Despite complaints, the policy will stand as is, without exception. "If we're caught smoking, we're fired," Ms. Morabito said.

College council elections postponed

The College Council has postponed its executive elections for a month to give students a chance to prepare themselves and, possibly, run for office.

The council agreed Sept. 12 to put off the elections. Tom Fraser, chairman, said the council has a problem of how to get students represented.

New Falls campus a dream come true

By ALISON OLSEN
Staff Writer

The new Hospitality and Tourism Centre opened its doors to students and faculty earlier this month.

More than 150 students are attending the state-of-the-art facility for classes in hotel and restaurant administration, tourism and culinary skills.

The campus, on Dunn Street in Niagara Falls, replaces the cramped rooms at the Rainbow Gardens Centre, also in Niagara Falls.

"It's fantastic, a dream come true," Neil McGregor, chairman of the hospitality and tourism division, said.

"In the other campus, students had to share facilities. We had to double up on shifts. With brand new state-of-the-art equipment we can provide training to more students. We expect enrolment to increase because of the resources that we have to offer students."

The new campus has eight rooms and a large, well-equipped library.

BETTER DESIGNED

Mr. McGregor said the kitchen facilities are better designed for special functions such as baking, general food preparation and producing food in large quantities. "We also have a proper wines and mixology lab. The Rainbow Gardens Centre did not have any of these special areas."

The students also have a modern computer lab which was not available to them before. The new building has room for expansion if it becomes necessary in the future.

Even though the school is in

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operation, some of the interior is not finished. John Peacock, hotel and restaurant co-ordinator, looks on the bright side concerning the ongoing construction.

"We're not completely settled down yet. Minor things still have to be worked out, but we'll soon be in 100 per cent working order."

Marie-Marthe Rennie, tourism co-ordinator, is happy with the move.

"Hotel, cooking and tourism belong under the same umbrella. This way the students can interact and feel a part of the industry together." The two-year tourism program was previously offered at the Welland campus.

Both programs have a placement of 100 per cent for graduation students.

STUDENTS PLEASED

Most students have no complaints about leaving the Rainbow Gardens Centre. They consider themselves lucky to be at the new centre.

LeeAnn Lamontagne, a first-year tourism student from Welland, feels she can benefit from the new school, but sees a need for transportation for students from areas other than Niagara Falls.

"The school is okay, but it would be easier on some people if we had a bus."

The fact that the school is small compared to the Welland campus gives students a chance to learn a skill in a friendly, close-knit atmosphere.

"You can't get lost," said Darlene Smith, a first-year tourism student from Port Colborne. "I like it here."

An Open House is planned for next month.

The government agreed to give the college a $6.5 million grant.

College changes

Niagara matures?

Things will be different at Niagara College this year. Smoking is out, paid parking is in; Theatre Arts is out and a Student Centre is in. Is this the new and improved Niagara College? Let's do a quick analysis to determine the effects of these changes.

Since Sept. 1, Niagara College has been a smoke-free zone. You've probably seen the "Clean Air Award" stickers posted just above the piles of cigarette butts that have appeared outside the entrances to the school. Has the elimination of one problem led to the creation of another? And what will happen in the winter when even the most ardent smokers will think twice about going out into the Arctic chills to satisfy their habit. These people will be forced to seek out remote areas in the building to light up.

Smoking is not against the law so let's not treat smokers like criminals. In a democratic society there is always room for a compromise.

If you've been coming to school regularly you've probably discovered that if you didn't pay for parking in the summer, you're paying for it now. For the privilege in parking, students paid $40. There is however no guarantee of a space, and those who park illegally will pay again.

After about a year of deliberations, the Board of Governors decided last March to cancel the Theatre Arts program. The program was recognized across the country, but due to its high operating cost it was cancelled to save the college some money. It's a sad fact that the quality of education is so strongly influenced by dollars and cents.

In April, the administrative affairs committee of the Board of Governors approved in principle the SAC proposal to build a Student Centre. The centre will contain a pub — surely, it won't be a no smoking zone — a general store and a lounge. An on-campus pub might be good for Niagara. By fostering more participation from students it might even solve the apathy problem.

Will Niagara College ever be the same?

Tony Post

Smoking ban

A courageous move

The Niagara College administration deserves a pat on the back for its bold and courageous decision to totally ban smoking within the college premises. It is amazing to notice the number of people who are still enslaved by this evil habit despite overwhelming evidence that it is harmful not only to smokers, but even non-smokers who are exposed to the smoke.

Smoke blown out by smokers has been found to contain twice the amount of nicotine found in first time smoke which smokers inhale. This vividly shows that smokers do not only subject themselves to the lethargic effects of smoking, but everyone within their vicinity. It is therefore rational and logical that something has been done to save the majority of students who have been unwillingly and sometimes arrogantly subjected to the dreadful smoke.

Let us hope that this act will bring smokers to their senses and make them realize that smoking is stupid, expensive and a hazard to both health and property. It is a pity some people are still clinging to this puerile habit which offers nothing but misery.

Bome Matshaba

Reflections of fall

One last look at the trees of Lake Gibson before fall strips their leaves. Lake Gibson hydro project on Merrittville Highway attracts both anglers and onlookers. Scenes like this will soon disappear, to be replaced by barren trees. This transition of seasons is the calm before the storm — winter.

Photo by Sheila Mc Brayne

Counselling office needs peer tutors

So you did well in your course last year; this year you are literally cruising with lots of time to spare. Why not put that time to use by helping others and make money while doing so?

The counselling department is looking for students who would like to do some peer tutoring."Teaching experience is not required," Pat Cicci, co-ordinator of peer tutoring, said. "The only requirements are that candidates must have faculty approval, must have done well in their courses and preferably be receiving OSAP assistance.

The rationale for using OSAP students "is that we get back 75 per cent rebate on what we pay tutors, but since we usually get insufficient candidates who are receiving OSAP, non-OSAP students are welcome to apply as well." The rate of pay is $5.50 per hour, with a maximum of 10 hours per week.

Mrs. Cicci said peer tutoring is meant to help students who are struggeling and get them on their feet before it's too late. It is crucial, especially now at the beginning of the term, when people feel lost and unsure about their programs. Usually students encounter problems on maths-based subjects and the sciences, she said.

Located in the Career Centre of the Learning Resource Centre, peer tutoring also offers, for those who feel they are not threatened enough to require peer tutoring, study skills in the form of pamphlets and videos. The materials help students take notes and teach them good study habits, Mrs. Cicci said.

Anyone interested should complete an application form, available in the Career Library and schedule themselves for an interview with her. The program is run and financed by the Student Administrative Council (SAC).

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Deficit cut in half during last year

Niagara College has reduced its deficit from $1.4 million to $700,000 in the past fiscal year, Hans van der Slagt, vise-president of administration, said this week.

The college was able to reduce the accumulated deficit through maintaining control of costs and generating additional revenue.

In the fiscal year from April 1, 1988, to March 31, 1989, the college expected an accumulated deficit of $ 1.2 million.

"That is all the surpluses and deficits we had over the years all added together until the end of March 31, 1989," Mr. van der Slagt said.

This year the college has budgeted for no surplus or deficit.

"We still have the $700,000 accumulated deficit, but for 1989-90, revenues and expenses are budgeted to be the same,"Mr. van der Slagt said. "It wouldn't make it worse; it wouldn't make it better."

Last year a number of programs were cut as a measure to reduce the college's deficit.

RELUCTANT TO CUT

Mr. van der Slagt said the board at this stage is very reluctant to cut any programs or services. "We've come through a period of time when we have done a lot of cutting."

The ministry has announced that in the next fiscal year the increase to Niagara College will be 3.2 per cent.

"That will not be enough to cover our regular budgetary increases for salaries and supplies, so that we expect that we will have a financial problem next year which will add to the deicit," Mr. van der Slagt said.

The measures the college took to save money included not filling vacant positions and maintaining control over non-salary costs.

FOCUS

Film students take on important issues

By VIRGIL KLASSEN
Staff Writer

Feeling strongly about issues that concern many people and being able to do something about them — Janet Hill and Barry McMann are trying to do that through the film program at Niagara College.

As part of their program, Janet and Barry, both third-year film students, are making films about "hot" issues. One deals with native residential schools. The other tackles the toxic waste problem in Ontario.

Janet and Barry, the films' producer-directors, chose these topics themselves. They have strong feelings about them.

Janet's group of third-year film students is working on a documentary about Mohawk Institute, a former boarding school for native children.

Tentatively titled School Days, the film is intended for a general audience with the hope that it can instigate or promote an awareness to the non-native (people) about the Indian people and the struggles that have been endured." Janet said.

Barry's group is making a documentary about the Ontario Waste Management Corporation's proposed waste treatment facility in West Lincoln.

The film's working title is LF-9C — which is what OWMC calls the proposed site — Barry said. It will present a basic background on OWMC and the proposed facility and interview many of the special interest groups involved.

Both film crews are working under the supervision of film instructor Elias Petras, a respected documentary film maker. Mr. Petras has just returned to Niagara College from a sabbatical. During his time away he was making a film himself.

Having strong feelings about a subject certainly helps to make a documentary film more effective, Mr. Petras said.

Mohawk Institute, in Brantford, existed as a boarding school for native children from 1834 to 1969. In 1972 it was reopened as a cultural and educational institution to reinforce Indian culture.

Janet attended Mohawk Institute herself and said the experience was bad for her. She believes the school was designed to assimilate native children.

"It was at these schools where the Indian would lose those valuable traditional and cultural values."

What bothers her even more is "a lot of people don't know that." The purpose of her film is to document this part of Canadian history through narration and visuals.

"If it can break down just one wall of the stereotyped images that whites have of native people, than this film, to me, is worth doing."

Working on the 20-minute documentary with Janet are Tim Allen, Andy Netzke, Rose Thompson, and Joe Trelford. They plan to wind up shooting this week, and Janet hopes to have the film completed in December.

Barry chose the subject because "it is an interesting subject...an important subject." He considers the film's subject to be much more serious, "with a lot more angles," than anything he has tackled before.

LF-9C site

The OWMC proposes to build a centralized toxic-waste treatment and disposal plant in West Lincoln Township. Some of the wastes will be burned, and other types will be buried in a landfill. The Region of Niagara, the Township of West Lincoln, and a number of citizen's groups are opposed to the proposed site for many reasons.

"On the one hand you have a need for something like this, but you have the fruit belt," Barry said. Concerned about the environment himself, he thinks "something has to be done about it."

Also working on LF-9C are four other third-year film students: Keith Fleury, Cass Howorth, Debbie Manuel, and John Nymeyer. They plan to have the film completed by the end of December. Much of the filming has been completed, and the editing process has begun.

The OWMC-proposed site was chosen as a film subject because of its proximity to Niagara College. Many residents are concerned about the concentration of toxic wastes in their own back yard and the fallout which will result from burning toxic wastes.

"It's going to be interesting to see how it's received," Barry said. He hopes the film will be shown on local television stations when it's completed.

He hopes his group will be able to enter the film in Telefest, an annual festival of films produced by film schools. If things go well, Barry is thinking of entering the film in the Environmental Film Festival held each spring in Colorado.

Like School Days, LF-9C is being planned as a 20-minute documentary. Except for the final mixdown and processing, all the work on these films is done by the students, much of it on location and the rest of it at the college.

Much of this work is technical and gives the students the practical experience necessary to understanding the film-making process. That is part of success in the film medium, but it is not enough.

Having the vision to get one's point across takes more than that. Understanding the subject and being personally involved in it gets the message across more effectively. Through their films, Janet and Barry are working towards that goal.

JANET HILL BARRY MCMANN

Mature student support

Help is on the way for those who are back in school again after a few years away and are finding it all a bit overwhelming.

A peer advising group for mature students is being organized at Niagara College as a pilot project, Pat Cicci, co-ordinator of peer tutoring, said.

Interested students got together for an informal session on campus to start a peer tutoring group for mature students on Wednesday.

"There has been some concern over the best time to meet," Morris Bosey, co-ordinator of counselling services, said. "A lot of people have indicated their interest in this idea."

Four peer advisers are available to help mature students: Lynn Cheel, Yvonne Cleaver, Linda Parise, and Chris Vogt. They can be reached through Mrs. Cicci in peer tutoring, and are prepared to meet with mature students as a group or individually as their schedules permit.

ALL THE SCARS

"They've been through the mill, and they've got all the scars," Mr. Bosey said. All the peer advisers had been away from school for some time, and as senior students at the college, they have the experience to help.

Anyone interested in this new peer tutoring group for mature students should contact Mrs. Cicci, Mr. Bosey, or any of the four peer advisers.

"It can be anything you need help with," Mrs. Cicci said.

"There are lots of resources here," Mrs. Cicci said. "We're here to make people aware of them and to help them."

Mrs. Cicci has a record of the peer advisers' timetables and will act as the contact person for the group. She can be found in the Peer Tutoring and Career Library room just inside the Learning Resource Centre.

Mr. Bosey's office is in ME-103. He will be working with Mrs. Cicci and the advisers. Anyone who has been out of school for three years is classified as a mature student.

There will be another meeting for mature students Wednesday, Oct.4, in the Simcoe Building — Room S101 — at 12:10 p.m. Anyone interested can attend this meeting or get in touch with Mrs. Cicci, Mr. Bosey, or any of the advisers.

First prize goes to the robin

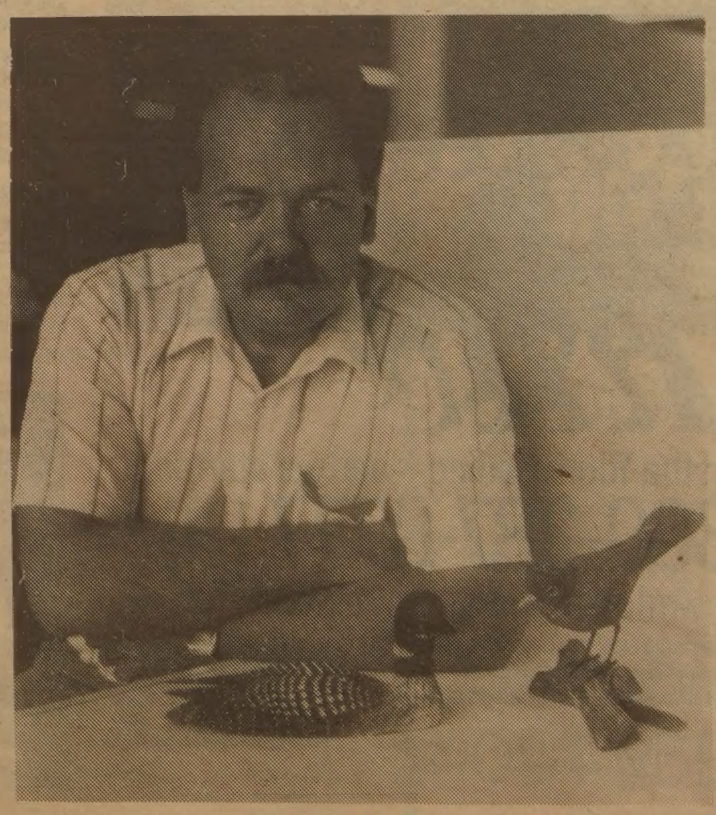
Tom Brooks, a Niagara College maintenance handyman, won two prizes for his wood carving at the Niagara Regional Exhibition recently. It was the first time he had entered a competition.

Mr. Brooks won first prize in the Wood Carving — Birds class with a carving of a robin. He won second prize in the Wood Carving — Article class with a carving of a loon.

Mr. Brooks, 39, has only been carving birds for the past two years in his spare time. He said his mother collects loons, and after seeing what other people charged for loon carvings, he thought he could do it better himself.

He entered the Exhibition at the Welland Fair "for the recognition." He plans to enter more competitions, starting with the Simcoe Fair next month. "Maybe next year, the Sportsmen's Show in Toronto," he said.

Birds are the only thing Mr. Brooks has carved so far. He paints the carvings as well, making them appear quite lifelike. The loon he entered at the fair took him more than eight hours just to paint.



TOM BROOKS

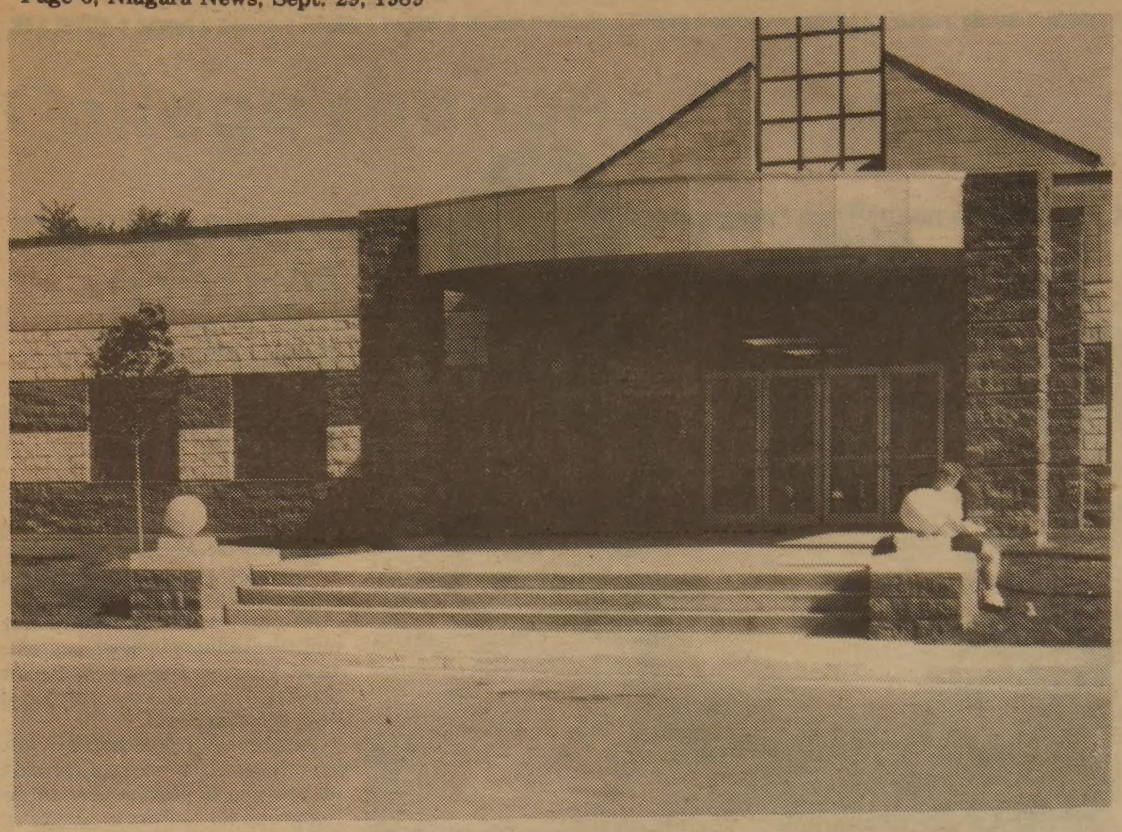
English update at Niagara

Niagara College may be the first of 22 colleges in Ontario this year to introduce "language across the curriculum" which will better students' English skills, Gary Webb of the English department said.

Mr. Webb, co-ordinator of designs and development, said language across the curriculum is a philosophy of education that, in time, will enable students to use clear and precise English skills throughout every subject in as many contexts as possible.

The policy will call for instructors in subject areas other than English to stress the importance of language. Rather than multiple choice or true/false test, instructors are asked to use essay-type questions.

Students are to be at the centre of all activities, whether they are reading, writing, speaking or listening, Mr. Webb said. In class students should be instructed to write journals.



Welcome!

Niagara College's new addition — the Hospitality and Tourism Centre on Dunn Street in Niagara Falls. The building features up-to-date equipment and modern architectural design.

Photo by Lisa Choma

New speakers pipe in CRNC sound of music

Campus Radio Niagara College sounds much better since new speakers were installed on Saturday Sept. 16, after an extended delay.

"I think there is quite an improvement." Tony Adams, the Radio and Television teacher who is overseeing the installation of the speakers, said. "We've heard from various people that they can hear the sound better."

Four students and two staff members installed 14 speakers, replacing old ones. There are 10 more speakers to be installed, but first the radio station needs "clearance from the college" and speaker cables installed.

"We hope to improve the system by adding some more speakers," Mr. Adams said. "Whether we use them all is another matter, but we've go 10 more and hopefully we'll find areas to put them in."

The speakers were supposed to be installed by the end of last term, but because of difficulty in finding "tamper-free" screws, to protect them against theft, and getting students together to install them, they could not be installed before the summer.

The "tamper-free" screws had to be ordered from Kitchener; they arrived late and, with no students to install them, had to wait until September.

The 24 speakers were bought last year from Central Music, 252 East Main St., Welland, for $1,200. The radio station needed new speakers because some of the old speakers were not working, they had poor sound quality and were "not audible enough in some areas of the school." The money to pay for the speakers was earned by the radio station through the selling of advertisements. No money was taken from other school funds.

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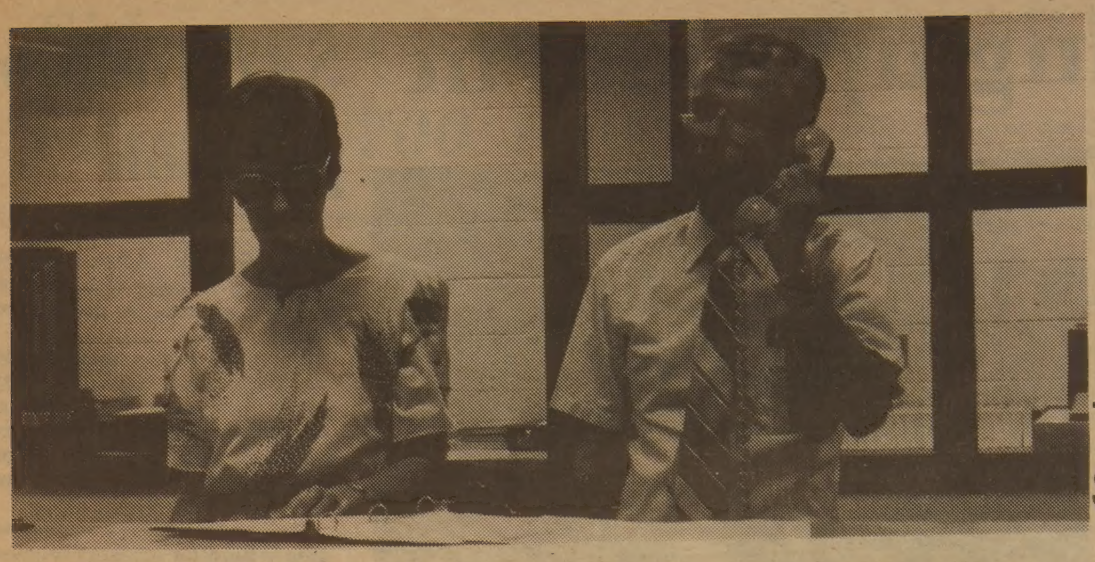


Library technicians Janet Holden and Ken Salway check inventory on books for the new library.

Photo by Lisa Choma

Niagara grad excited about career change

Ken Salway, former general manager of The Niagara Advance, is library technician in the new Hospitality and Tourism Centre in Niagara Falls.

Mr. Salway, a 1985 graduate of the Niagara College library technician program, is enthusiastic about his career change.

"For anyone thinking of a career change, colleges can provide those alternatives. It is a positive environment, and it is great to be with young people and to have those feelings rub off on you."

Approaching only the first month in the new centre, Mr. Salway, together with part-time library technician Janet Holden, also a graduate of the program, are working diligently to provide the kind of resources needed to implement the curriculum.

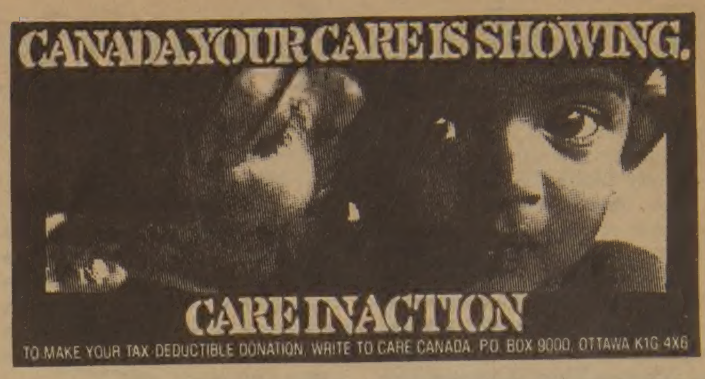
"It is a challenging change from the newspaper business," he said.

There is a striking parallel between the two in that library work is also dealing with the printed word, but there is very little room for cynicism working in a library.

"Cynicism is an evil we all have to avoid, particularly those in the newspaper business. If it is in your fingernails, it can get in your eyes; it can destroy your outlook. I do not detect cynicism in library work; there are too many other challenges and opportunities. I guess you could say that I am in love with the printed word."

Mr. Salway boasts about the new Hospitality Centre being in a major tourist area.

"People that travel are happy; it is a positive atmosphere, and there is great potential for the students who avail themselves of the opportunity."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Students cooking up a storm

By LISA CHOMA
Staff Writer

What's cookin' at the Hospitality and Tourism Centre?

With the inception of the new one-year culinary apprenticeship program, Delice de Sole Veronique and Pommes Biarritz are just two items that may grace the menu.

Students will learn the basics, and gain knowledge in the preparation of classical European and French cuisine, under the supervision of chef Stan West and his staff.

Originally from Yorkshire, England, Mr. West came to the Niagara Region in 1975. His own apprenticeship included a period of five years at a five-star hotel. One of his notable achievements was writing the Cook Training Profile, 1986 - a minimum standard for training cooks.

"Everybody is an expert on cooking, but everyone should know the basics. All dishes are difficult to prepare if you have no background and no knowledge."

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The culinary program at the Hospitality Centre teaches the basics, and more. Menus are in English and French, although culinary French is often used in the kitchens because it is more poetic and reads well.

Mr. West is confident that the new program will "take off" because there is such a big demand for cooks.

'The new facility is terrific. I knew it was going to be good, but not this good. When the building was in its designing stages, the architects (Flemming-Baker) listened to our ideas, and we got everything we wanted."

In what used to be a male-dominated profession, he is finding that women are branching out into these areas, and those in the program area are doing exceptionally well.

The centre is open to the public, and dinners prepared in the kitchens will be served in the formal dining room on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of each week.

A "linkage" program will enable students from area high schools to visit the centre and observe the demonstrations taking place.

A grand calendar of events, beginning with the Niagara College Staff Open House on Oct. 16, 1989, a wineries night, and a culinary arts competition, are just a few of the scheduled events promoting the new facility.

Guess who's coming to dinner?

One of the food labs in operation at the new Hospitality and Tourism Centre. Above, a student demonstrates one of the "basics" in culinary skill — cutting meat.

Photo by Lisa Choma

SAC favors petition

The Student Administrative Council is in favor of a student petition seeking a designated smoking area.

Jim Acsai, SAC president, said the SAC will do anything in its power to support the students. About 200 students have already signed the petition. Niagara College was declared a smoke-free area from Sept. 6.

Making the college a smoke-free area is hard for smokers because they will not be able to go out for a cigarette when it is raining or snowing, he said.

"I am trying to get a place booked for me to address the Board of Governors about the student petition," he said. If SAC efforts are in vain, SAC will ask for permission to have a well ventilated smoking area in the proposed Student Centre.

Tracey Luby, vise-president of external affairs, said cigarette butts are scattered around buildings. She said the college should provide sand bags for smokers.

Jim said an attempt to make all pubs smoke-free would be a main problem for SAC, since they won't be able to control the people. "I cannot go around all night telling people they cannot smoke," he said.

Cass Howorth, vice-president of social affairs, said if pubs are smoke-free, SAC will lose money. Few people will attend the pubs.

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Shinerama success raises $5,700 for CF

Niagara College students raised $5,700 for cystic fibrosis research from Shinerama held Sept. 14.

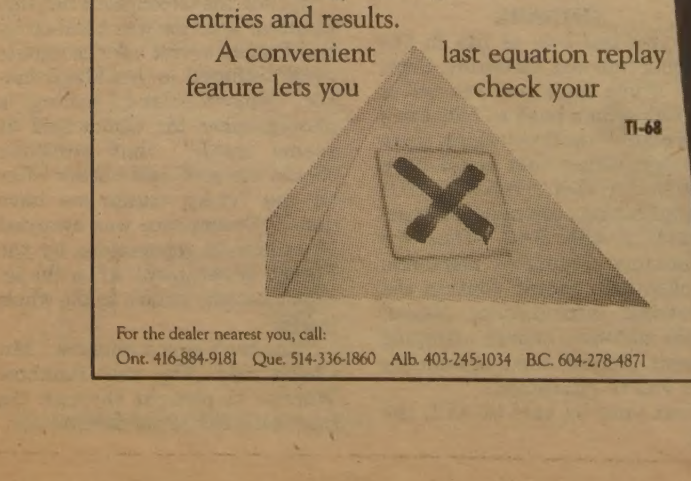
Tracey Luby, vice-president of external affairs in the Student Administrative Council, said 200 students signed up, but only 103 turned out. Students went to Niagara Falls, Welland, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Port Colborne and Fonthill. From shoe shining and car window washing done at major intersections, students raised $5,500. Late that evening at a pub in Gilligan's Roadhouse in Welland, the college raised $200 at the door.

"Thanks to all those 103 students who withstood torrential rain and blistering cold to raise money for cystic fibrosis," Tracey said in a statement to students. Tracey commended the generous community which helped them to surpass their goal of $3,500.

Shinerama started in 1964 and about 64 colleges and universities take part. First-year students are encouraged to sign up for Shinerama as part of their orientation and increase their participation in school activities.

Although the community was donating vigorously, one Welland driver was not amused, Tracey said. The driver complained to police that student activities were slowing traffic. Tracey said police asked them to disperse within an hour, but they moved to another location to continue their good work.

Tracey said SAC is looking for Shinerama committee members. All those interested students should apply to the SAC office.



Spin-off for Co-op department

A satellite campus of the Co-operative Education Department is now well under way at the Hospitality and Tourism Centre.

Wilma Puttee, a counsellor with the department since 1981, describes co-operative education as part of the education process, not just a placement function.

Although the program had been under a feasibility study for some time, the area of hospitality and tourism is expanding, and the industry is desperate for trained people.

"It is a big spin-off — a huge web — the demand is there," Mrs. Puttee said.

Co-op placement is mandatory, and the well-established tourism co-op is in its sixth year. Similarly, the hotel-administration co-op will be entering its second year, and with the addition of the one-year culinary apprenticeship, this summer will be the start of another co-op program.

Going out on co-op placement allows students to get a look at the industry from another perspective, and gives them a thorough knowledge of the industry and where they fit in.

"It is imperative to be flexible and adaptable; demands fluctuate so much when you are dealing with people," said Mrs. Puttee.

Fifty to 60 per cent of the students work with one of their co-op employers for a little while, and this gives them an "inroad" to a job after graduation.

"For the most part, the majority of students develop a realistic approach to what is there, and what hoops they have to go through to work up towards their career ladders."

Co-operative education allows students to geographically locate to other areas and make assessments without committing themselves. There is one co-op work term per year of program.

"It isn't a nine-to-five industry," Mrs. Puttee said. "A student has to roll with the punches and be committed, and that means adapting to work when others are playing."

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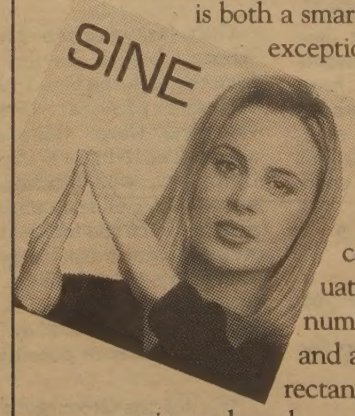

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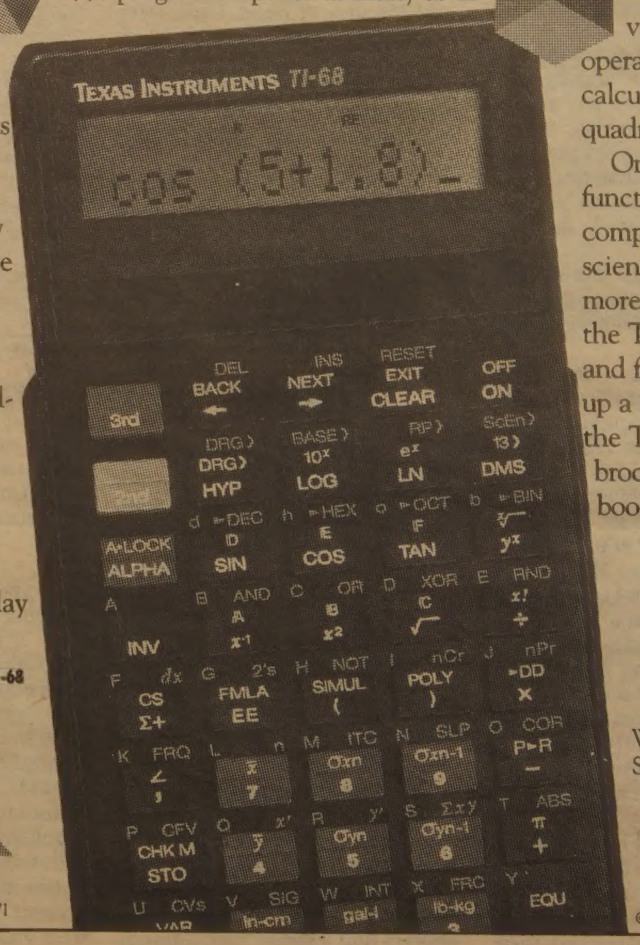

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Entertainment

Brighton Rock

New album, concert tour

By ALISON OLSEN
Staff Writer

Canada's own Brighton Rock wowed fans earlier this month with a power-packed performance at Niagara College.

Wednesday, Sept. 13 was the date, and the cafeteria was the place. More than 239 people attended the concert with almost 151 tickets being sold in advance.

Delayed

The concert was to begin at 8 p.m. but because of hotel problems in Brockville, did not start until 9:30 p.m. Despite the delay, the legion of fans did not seem to mind. The energized show ended at 12:30 a.m.

The opening band was Eleven Seconds from Hamilton. The four-man band gave a good performance with their punk-pop jazz style of music.

Brighton Rock was formed five years ago, in Hamilton, by guitarist Greg Fraser and vocalist Gerry McGhee. Eventually, other members were recruited from several local bar bands.

Originally called Heart Attack, they changed their name because of an American band by the same name.Their decision was reached after keyboardist John Rogers read Graham Greene's classic thriller, Brighton Rock.

After months of playing high schools and bars in Hamilton, a demo of the group's song Barricade became one of the the 12 finalists to appear on the 1985 Homegrown lp produced by Toronto radio station Q107.

The resulting recognition and airplay enabled the band to record their debut album, Young, Wild and Free.

Tour

An incredible touring schedule followed as Brighton Rock went on the road opening for such acts as Triumph, Honeymoon Suite and Lee Aaron.

The group is popular in such diverse places such as France, Denmark, England and Japan.

Take a Deep Breath, the band's second album has recently gone gold in Canada.

The public image of tight pants, leather jackets and black eyeliner suit the band members just fine. Their fans must like the image also since the Brighton Rock fan club already has more than 2,000 members.

Since many of their younger fans cannot see the band perform at colleges and in bars, a concert was planned at Canada's Wonderland for late summer.

The show sold out well before the concert date.

Pleased

Although ticket sales were low, Cass Howarth, the Student Administrative Council's vice-president for social affairs was pleased with the outcome.

"Everyone had a great time, but, financially it could have been better."

Any advice to up-and-coming musicians?

"If you believe in something, stick to it. We're just honest, hard rock and rollers. It's that easy." Words to live by from John Rogers.

Brighton Rock do what they do best

By RICHMOND MAHEHE
Staff Writer

Canadian rock band, Brighton Rock, took many rock-n-roll fans by storm when they staged a miraculous show Sept.13 in the main cafeteria.

Greg Fraser, guitarist and vocalist, took the stage, Johnny Rogers followed, and Stevie Skreebs appeared from the other side; the sound blasted; the controlled voice of Gerald McGhee — lead vocalist — captivated many who were there and fans sat silently to hear the rhythm of the night.

It was the band's first performance in the college, but it was a show that will not soon be forgotten.

One would think that he was watching Jim Hendrix when watching Greg Fraser playing the guitar while carrying the other one on his shoulder. Emerging bands like Brighton Rock will show rock fans that rock-n-roll will live forever.

It was late in the night when the band exploded with the song One More Try — their smash song — that rock-n-roll fans went crazy and leaped to their feet to sing along with the band.

Though it was raining, attendance was good, even though the Student Administrative Council had expected more people to attend.

The band took the stage late, but they gave people what they wanted.

Handicapped entertainers to perform at Niagara

Though many people may think a disability means one is unable to perform, for the Rolling Thunder Theatre Company this is just a myth.

Rolling Thunder will be performing in the college gymnasium Monday (Oct.2) at 12 noon.

They are a group of handicapped entertainers. Their purpose in performing is to ease some of the fear and tension people may feel when confronted with a disabled individual.

"We're hoping it will be an orientation for students to alleviate fears, unfamiliarity and dispel some of the myths about the handicapped," special needs officer, Caroline Nelson said.

Everyone is welcome at the free concert.

Bill 190 to prohibit animal use in testing

By ELIZABETH YATES
Staff Writer

"More than 200,000 animals die in Canadian testing every year," Linda Hawke, a project coordinator for the Toronto Humane Society, told a Brock University audience.

She was speaking Sept. 12 about Bill 190, a bill to amend the Animals for Research Act, which will be going for a third and final reading in the Ontario Legislation Oct. 5. This private member's bill was introduced by Bud Wildman, NDP member from Algoma, last November. Basically, Bill 190 would prohibit the use of animals in cosmetic and product testing. The bill mentions the Draize Eye-Irritancy Test, which involves putting a substasnce such as insecticide or lipstick into the eye of a live animal and leaving it for several hours or days to monitor its effect.

The LD50 test mentioned, involves the forced ingestion of a test substance until half of the test animals die. Should more than half die, the tests are repeated at lower dosages until the desired results are achieved.

A videotape which documented over 100 violations of federal and state laws at a product testing lab in Philadelphia, Pa., showed test animals left without medical treatment for injuries which included severe sores, limb paralysis, convulsions and hemorrhaging.

Such tests are not required by any statute, Ms. Hawke said. The law concerning product testing merely specifies that a product must be "safe" before it is marketed.

"These tests do not prevent unsafe products," but are "...done to protect the manufacturer against lawsuits," and their results have been deemed inapplicable to humans.

More than 200 companies in North America are "cruelty-free" — that is , their products are not tested on animals. Also, a company may manufacture products using ingredients that have been safely used for decades and are Generally Recognized as Safe (GRAS).

Ms. Hawke feels these tests continue to be used for two reason: public ignorance, and industry inertia.

Public awareness campaigns have had significant effects on the policies of some companies: Avon, for example, went from using 14,550 animals in product testing in 1981, to 4,063 in 1987, and does not plan to conduct any live animal testing in 1989, she said.

Others such as Mary Kay Cosmetics and Amway have placed a moratorium on animal tests until they investigate the issue; some are now using cell culture tests on their products.

A petition in support of Bill 190 bearing 34,000 signatures is to be presented to the Ontario Legislature before the bill's final reading.

The Research and Development committee "...may drop the bill from its agenda..." at that time, Ms. Hawke said. She urged concerned consumers to contact their MPPs about supporting this bill, and to spread the word to others.

It's here, there....

By BRUCE CULP
Staff Writer

Whether it is protesting against nuclear testing in the South Pacific, or shielding whales from the harpoons of Icelandic and Japanese factory ships, Greenpeace will be there, Christopher Childs, an American spokesman from the organization said Monday at Brock University.

Through a two-hour slide show, two speakers from Greenpeace presented an illustrated look at the plight of the planet, and what the organization is trying to do to protect it.

Greenpeace is based on a fundamental principle, Mr. Childs said. It "bears witness" to the atrocities to which humankind has subjected the planet.

"We are prepared to take action to save the planet," the other speaker, Simon Waters, said. "We won't violate our principle of non-violence, but we will take whatever action is necessary." He believes there is a higher law than civil disobedience.

Mr. Childs told how in 1971 Greenpeace started in Vancouver as a handful of vocal "Canadian Quakers and American draft-dodgers." The first protest was against United States nuclear tests on Amchitka Island, off Alaska. Later the next year, the fledgling group bought its first ship, the Vega, and disrupted French testing of atomic weapons off Moruroa in the South Pacific.

Since then, Greenpeace has grown into a substantial international organization. "We have three million members worldwide," Mr. Childs said. Canada alone has 150,000 ardent members. A new office was opened recently in Moscow.

Greenpeace has been the standard-bearer for numerous environmental causes over the last 18 years. Mr. Childs told how the group confronts submarines and ships testing nuclear devices all over the globe. He showed pictures of supporters spraying dye on baby harp seals. In 1976 Greenpeace concentrated on saving the whale from being driven to the brink of extinction. Now, only three countries, Japan, Iceland, and Norway, have refused to recognize the international moratorium on whaling, he said.

Only last year the Greenpeace laboratory-ship Beluga made a tour through the Great Lakes. An effluent pipe at Occidental Chemical Corp. (Hooker), just across the Niagara River from Chippawa, was blocked by the group. Mr. Childs chuckled at the aftermath of the incident. "I like what you guys are doing, but not always how you do them," a New York judge said as he passed down a sentence. They got the lightest sentence possible.

In 1985 the Greenpeace flagship Rainbow Warrior was bombed by two French secret service agents while tethered in Auckland harbor, New Zealand, killing a photographer. Mr. Childs said "it seems ironic" that someone should die at a safe harbor after all the "risky stunts we have done." Greenpeace was awarded $8 million in reparations by the French government when the incident became known to the whole world.

"You can't sink a rainbow," Mr. Childs said. The new Rainbow Warrior II ploughs through the seas with the same dream.

Tracey says 'Thank you'

Tracey Luey, vice-president of external affairs on the Student Administrative Council, has two messages for Niagara students after this year's Shinerama.

YOU SHINE

Thanks must be given to all those 103 students who withstood torrential rains and blistering cold winds to raise money for cystic fibrosis. Thank you for your time and effort.

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Hennepin Art Gallery house Faces and Figures exhibit

BY ELIZABETH YATES
Staff Writer

Faces and Figures, art on display at the Hennipin Gallery until tomorrow, presents the human form from a fascinating variety of viewpoints.

Peggy Hill and Carol Farrar, curators of the gallery in Hennepin Hall, invited members of local art organizations — including the Welland Brush and Palette Club, the Pelham Art Club, the Port Colborne Art Club, the Niagara District Art Association, and the St. Catharines Art Association — to contribute their works.

Twenty-four works of art, all by different artists, are on display. The styles range from graphic realism to emotional expressionism. Diverse media were also used; silkscreen, oils, graphite, watercolor, and pastels are all represented.

The human face and form are the focus of this exhibit. Viewing the paintings and drawings, one is struck by the singularity of artistic vision. Although several portraits are on display, none is similar to another in technique or the feeling evoked.

The diversity of technique and media is echoed by the artists' feelings regarding the importance of formal artistic training. Linda Hankin, whose pastel sketch Portrait of a Young Girl, is on display, feels that such training is very important for an artist. It aids is discussion, and in "...sharpening critical faculties."

Exchange programs and cooperative associations which foster artisitic growth are important for both novice and established artists. Ms. Hankin holds a bachelor of arts degree in visual arts from Brock University, and has exhibited in Toronto, and Montreal, as well as locally.

Her views contrast with those of Ed Fantinel, who contributed a striking Self Portrait to the exhibit. He is a self-taught artist who says he pays little attention to technique. He feels seeing and experiencing art are much more important for an artist than formal artistic training, which may send an unestablished artist off in an unsuitable direction. Emotions can be destroyed by technique, he said.

Jacqueline Damato and Liisa Harju are members of Peninsula 7, a group of seven local female artists. Both have taken life drawing classes from Ken Cosgrove, fine arts co-ordinator at Niagara College. Ms. Harju described Mr. Cosgrove as a "...superb instructor...", and both she and Ms. Damato felt his instruction was invaluable.

Most of the artists felt the artistic community is supportive of its members, offering encouragement and the opportunity to exthe general public was less interested in and receptive to art. Mr. Fantinel, who came to Canada from Italy in 1960, said, "They can live without it."

The Hennepin Gallery is open between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. from Monday to Friday, and between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. on weekends. The Peninsula 7 will be showing at the Rosberg Gallery in the Niagara Falls Public Library, Saturday Oct. 7 between 2 and 4 p.m.

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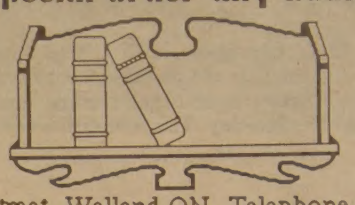
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PITCH IN

Five delegates from Changsha, China, and four members of the Association of Canadian Community Colleges take a break from lunch during their tour of the college Wednesday. The tour of the campus was led by Hugo Bessems, international student adviser, and visiting faculty member from Changsha University, You-jai Wu.Photo by Cathy Layton

University reps from China tour Niagara campuses

Five delegates from Central South University, Changsha, Hunan, People's Republic of China, visited Niagara College Sept.27 and 28.

Wang Dianzuo, president, professor of mineral engineering; Wang Dawei, professor of geology; Tang Renzheng, professor of material science; Wang Xueing, engineer; and Zhou Hong, interpreter, began their college visit with a discussion period in Hennepin Hall in the president's conference room.

The delegates were greeted by George Repar, director of planning, research and development; and Hugo Bessems, international student adviser. Two visiting faculty members — You-jia Wu, Changsha Vocational University; and Guang Rui Tian, Shenyang University, were also present to greet the delegates.

Mr. Wang, president, expressed how pleased he was to visit the college. He is very interested in developing an exchange program with Niagara College.

Mr. Bessems presented the delegates with information on the college and an itinerary of their visit.

Mr. Repar was presented with a badge of the university by Mr. Wang, president, and some information on the university.

The delegates plan to visit all of the Niagara College campus locations as well as Niagara Falls and McMaster University, Hamilton.

Four ACCC members visit Niagara College

Four members from the Association of Canadian Community Colleges visited the college on Sept.27, 1989.

Elizabeth Qualben, project officer Chengdu Project; Angeline Chwee, senior regional secretary Chengdu Project; Emily Chueng, project officer Canada-China College Linkage Program; and Debbie Espino, senior regional secretary Asia and Middle East Division Regional Director's Office.

Ninety-five per cent of community colleges in Canada are members of the ACCC. The ACCC tries to co-ordinate the interests of the colleges. They publish a newsletter to let colleges know what the ACCC is doing as well as what other colleges are doing.

It has two divisions - national and international. Funding for national functions comes from member colleges. The World Bank is an example of a sponsor for specific international projects.

The members of ACCC visited with the delegates from China as well as touring the Welland campus.

New programs get positive response

Two new programs have been met with enthusiasm by both students and the community.

Early Childhood Education-Resource Teacher and Palliative Care-Multidiscipline are two new post-certificate/post-diploma programs started this year for part-time students.

ECE-Resource Teacher is in progress with 71 students, 21 more than planned.

"So far there has been an enthusiastic response which is indicative of meeting a community need," Bob Baddeley, chairman of the community services division, said.

The ECE-Resource Teacher program is meant to develop people for pre-school children with special needs such as a delayed learning problem or a physical restriction, but mainly a developmental handicap with some physical handicap.

The program is made up of six courses and two field placements. Students are expected to finish their academic year in the spring of 1991 and go on to field placement. The placements can be planned for convenience to the student and the employer.

ROOM FOR 31

The Palliative Care-Multidiscipline program is scheduled to begin this term. There are 31 places in the program and so far there have been 17 registrations.

This program is designed for part-time students with a background in health and social sciences. The students learn to better deal with terminally ill patients or those who have a problem dealing with society.

The program is multidiscipline. Because it draws from other programs such as nursing and social worker, it looks at all the aspects and needs of a patient.

Most registrations have been submitted by nurses and teachers but some social workers have applied.

The first course in ECE-Resource Teacher is taught by Birgitta Ross, manager of Welland Preschool Services which is an arm of Welland District Association for Community Living.

Palliative Care-Multidiscpline will be taught by Kristyn Wilson-Schram, director of palliative care at Hotel Dieu Hospital in St. Catharines.

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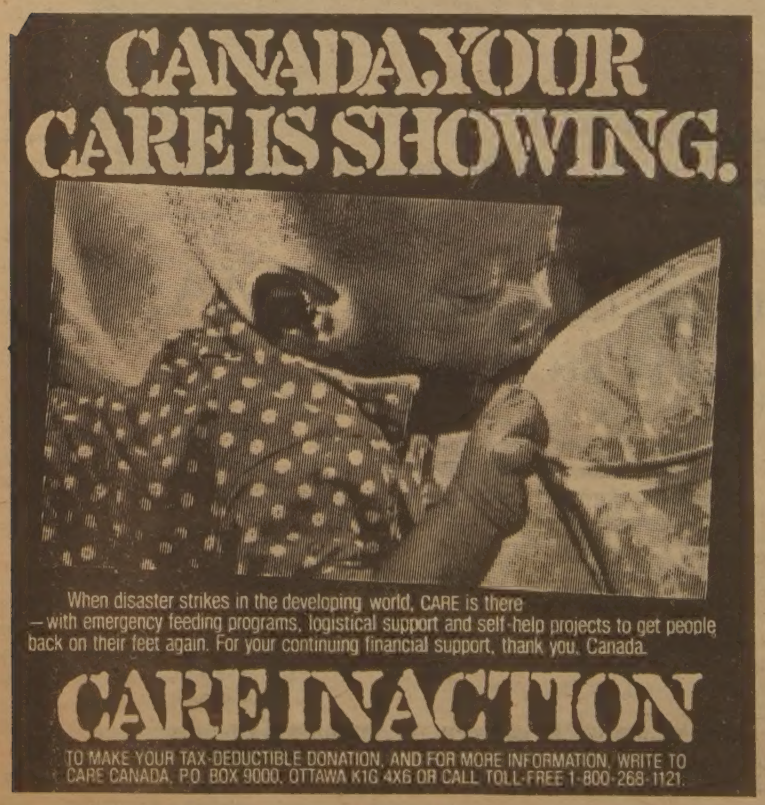
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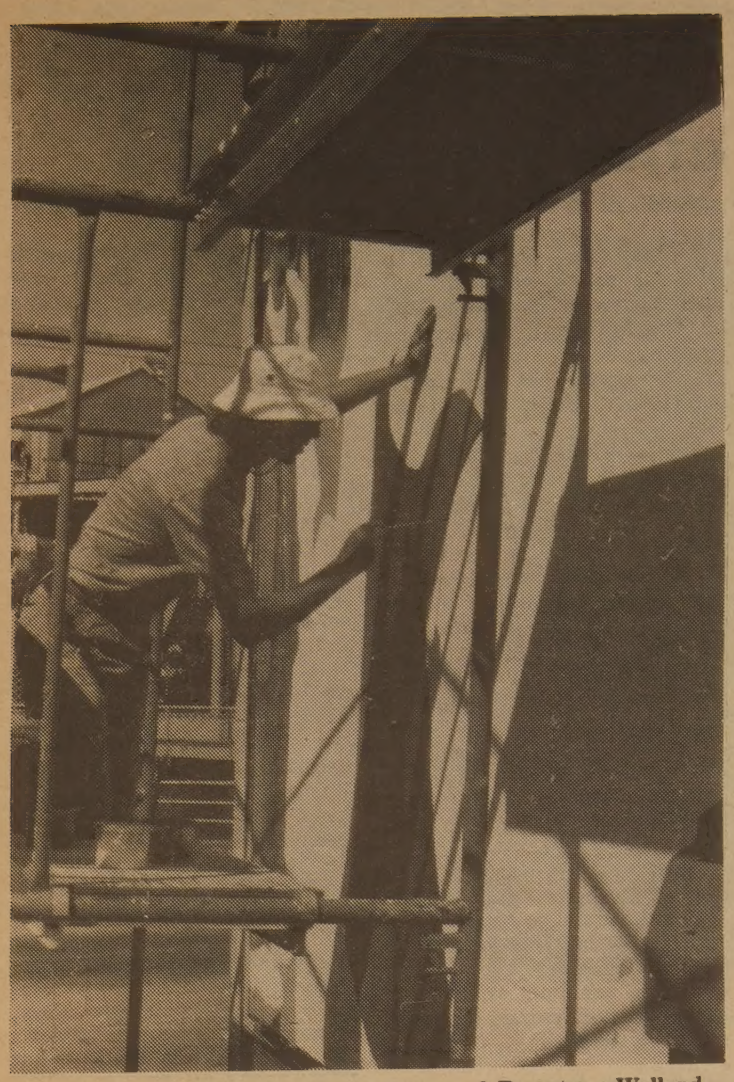

Toronto artist Phillip Woolf paints his mural, Downtown Welland, as a part of the Festival of Arts. "It's a labor of love," Mr. Woolf said. Photo by Sheila Mc Brayne

Phillip Woolf works on one of the 10 new murals added to Welland's existing outdoor gallery. Photo by Sheila Mc Brayne

Ten new murals for Festival of Arts

By SHEILA MC BRAYNE
Staff Writer

Nine artists in Welland's Festival of Arts are "painting the town" — literally.

Mural madness is contagious in Welland. The outdoor art gallery attracted more than 150,000 tourists last year. "Local businessmen are taking more interest in the project this year," Tina Van de Laar, administrative assistant, said. "Last year we almost had to beg, but this year they came to us."

24 murals

The second year of the five-year Festival of Arts project has brought 10 new murals to the existing 14 murals in Welland. The 10 new murals and nine artists are the winning entries of 40 maquettes from 20 Canadian artists.

"I'm at the picky stage," Welland artist Marsha Charlebois, said. "I've been putting the finishing touches on it for two weeks." She stepped back for a perspective view of her month-old "baby" — "The Cordage Community." This is the first mural she has designed and painted.

Welland's revival plans started in 1982 as the Promote Welland Task Force. Ernie Allen, owner of the Seaway Mall, vacationed in British Columbia in 1982. There he visited a small logging town on Vancouver Island that had been nearly deserted a few years earlier. Chemainus, B.C. re-established itself as a leading tourist town known for her outdoor art gallery of murals.

Mr. Allen, along with other concerned community figures such as John Van Kooten, publisher of The Welland Tribune, decided Welland needed a facelift to boost local morale in a declining canal city.

Within three years of his visit to Chemainus, Mr. Allen had a $50,000 mural added to the Seaway Mall. The mural, History of the Welland Canal was designed and painted by Welland-area artist Heinz Gaugel in 1986. The 22 metre (72 feet) high mural had such a positive impact on Welland residents that Mr. Allen set up a $25,000 initial fund for the Festival of Arts.

"The Festival of Arts began as a Futures program and then was given its own name. Futures pays almost half of our budget expenses," Mrs. Van de Laar said.

The Festival of Arts is financed by private, business, and corporation funds, all four levels of government and various fundraisers and community Futures. The 1989 budget was $682,000.

'Labor of love'

Painting the Downtown Welland mural on 14 King St. is Toronto artist, Phillip Woolf. "It's a labor of love," Mr. Woolf said, and "I like to put a lot into it." The artists are paid a $4,000 base and $4 per square foot. This year's artists will make between $5,000 and $9,000.

For artists like Dan Sawatzky from Chemainus, who completed his mural, Little Helper, in seven days, this is a great price. But for Mr. Woolf who has been working on his mural for a month and hopes to finish by the end of October, "it's not a hell of a lot."

"The biggest problem is the shadows. They're a nuisance because it's hard to see if it's blending or not," Mr. Woolf said.

By the end of the five-year mandate, the Festival of Arts will have 50 murals in their outdoor exhibition. "We want to color your world," Mrs. Van de Laar said.

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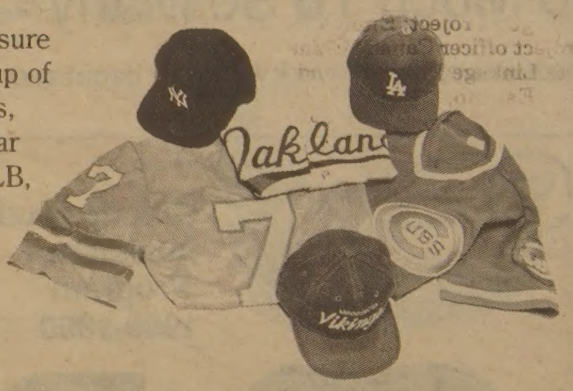

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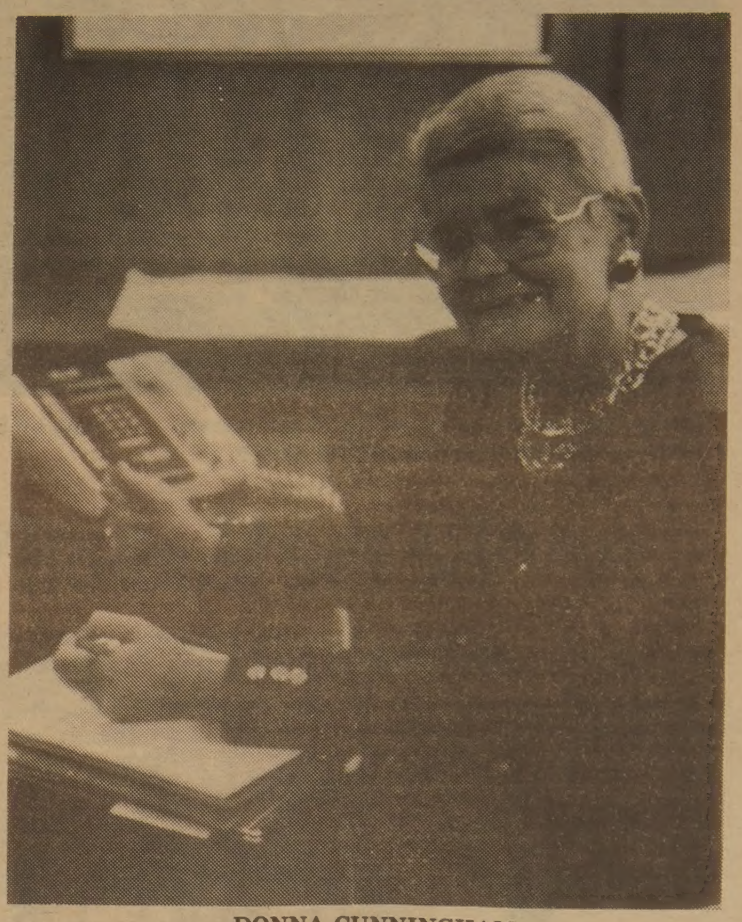
Donna Cunningham enjoys new nursing chairman position

Donna Cunningham, new chairman of nursing, wants to close the gap between her students and Welland Campus.

Niagara College's nursing program has been operated from the Mack Centre in St. Catharines since 1973. Before Miss Cunningham's arrival at the college this year, a proposal was made to relocate the nursing program to St. Catharines Campus. "We'll be more in line with the rest of the school," Miss Cunningham said.

"It makes economical sense. We rent this building and own Welland Vale," she said. A meeting to discuss the proposal is scheduled for early October. The campus has adequate space to accommodate the nursing program and the move would allow them to interact more easily with students from other programs.

Another division of the nursing program is located at Mount Carmel in Niagara Falls. The human care programs such as health care aide and home support workers are there. "We can't work in isolation and remain a viable program," she said.



DONNA CUNNINGHAM

IN COMMUNITY

Miss Cunningham and the nursing students are looking forward to a new program that will allow them to expand from their isolation. Challenge '91 stresses community field work as opposed to active care hospitals. "We want to work hand and glove with the Niagara peninsula and vent our ideas through the community," she said.

Miss Cunningham is replacing Lois Millar who retired this spring. She finds Niagara's nursing program similar to her previous positions. She was coordinator and teacher at George Brown College and was associate chairman and a faculty member at Fanshaw College from 1985 to her present position. Miss Cunningham's first career was a registered nurse. "There are always the same standards for the profession, so there's definitely consistency," she said.

A curriculum committeee for the nursing program that includes students as well as faculty keeps new ideas in circulation. Students on the committee are taken from the first year and are kept for their three-year term. This ensures that the students can see their ideas put into action.

Niagara students attend mall party

Twenty-two fashion arts students served cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at the Seaway Mall on Tuesday night, to toast the opening of the new 150,000-square-foot expansion, amidst the dust of a construction site.

Carole Timm, program coordinator, said she volunteered the students so they could see what a mall opening party is like, and meet some of the merchants.

Five second-year law and security students who also attended worked as security guards. Ron Shaidle, law and security coordinator, said, "It is good practical experience and will help students get jobs in the future."

The fashion arts students are also designing window displays in two unrented stores. Three murals are part of this display, they were drawn by Elaine Adamson, a fashion drawing teacher, and painted by the first and second-year students. The murals were supposed to be hung in time for the party but due to a last minute rush, they could not be set up in time. Six more murals are to be made for the mall.

CONTINUE THEME

"They (the murals) carry on the theme of Welland mural painting, although the style is very much different, and they're also a vehicle of advertising for us because we're putting labels on them," Mrs. Timm said. "It's a project for the first and second-year students to work together on and get some experience in mural painting."

Although the murals are being used to cover the windows of unrented stores, they will have a permanent place in the mall. "They'll put them on another wall somewhere around the mall" when the stores are rented. Mrs. Timms was asked if the murals would be discarded. "Dispose of them," she asked. "They'd better not."

One thousand guests were invited to the exclusive party. All went well regardless of the dusty floors and incomplete construction. Music was provided by Lorenzo Rowe, pianist, and The Rainbow Trio, consisting of a violinist, a flutist and a cellist.

Second-year fashion students are working with the Seaway Mall's promotions director, Mike Belcastro, to arrange a fashion show in November, and are putting out a pamphlet advertising clothing stores in the Mall to "promote a fashion image," Mrs. Timm said.

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Sports

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Students and staff tee off at IEEE fun golf tourney

The Niagara branch of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers will hold a golf fun day next Saturday, Oct. 7, at the Municipal Golf Course in St. Catharines. Tee off time is set for 9 a.m. and everyone is welcome.

The event originated as an informal gathering of students and staff last year and was such a success that the the IEEE decided to make the outing an annual happening, according to secretary Rich Visi. First-year students are encouraged to come out to meet with faculty, and second and third-year students in a less formal atmosphere than in the classroom.

In keeping with the laid back approach to the outing, no prizes will be awarded for golfing proficiency. The $20 green fee includes a T-shirt and roast beef dinner afterwards at Eddy's Place in Port Dalhousie.

For further details contact the IEEE office in L 12 or call ext. 637.

Knights hockey

Bassi narrows roster

The Niagara College Knights men's hockey team is already busy preparing for the upcoming intercollegiate league season. No time is wasted for coach Fred Bassi's charges with about 50 hopefuls trying out this week at Welland arena.

A combination of practice sessions and scrimmages is planned to trim the roster down to 21 players by Tuesday with the first official team practice scheduled for Wednesday. The Knights open their exhibition season in Wheatfield, New York, against the University of Buffalo.

The Knights are defending league champions, and Mr. Bassi is hoping to mark his 20th year with the team by becoming only the second team in history to double as league and play-off champs.

Returning from last year's squad are captain Jim Beattie and assistant captains Mike Martineau and Brian Rome. Also back is goalie Jim Darling, who was named Niagara's top male athlete and to the league's all-star team last year.

The ICHL includes Conestoga College in Kitchener and several American universities, including Penn State and the University of Rochester. Regular season play begins Nov. 4, with a home game against UB.

Intramural sports season gears up

Golf, basketball, hockey — or refereeing. These are just some of the activities in the athletic department's 1989-90 season schedule.

Peter Rylander, athletic director, would like to see more emphasis put on intramural sports. Run on the double lunch periods on Tuesdays and Thursdays, they are golf, touch football, volleyball, floor hockey, ice hockey, badminton, and basketball.

Touch football started Sept.19 and runs until Oct. 26. Each team must have a name, captain and playing time picked. Co-ed slow-pitch season started Sept.19 and ends Sept.28. Teams require a minimum of nine players with three women at all times.

Co-ed volleyball starts Oct.3 and ends Oct.26. Teams must register by Sept.29 and each team is allowed only one varsity player.

Anyone interested in refereeing these games is asked to contact the athletic department and is reminded that referees are paid in cash.

Athletes taking part in intramural sports will receive points toward their athletic letter.

Cafeteria damaged after Brighton pub

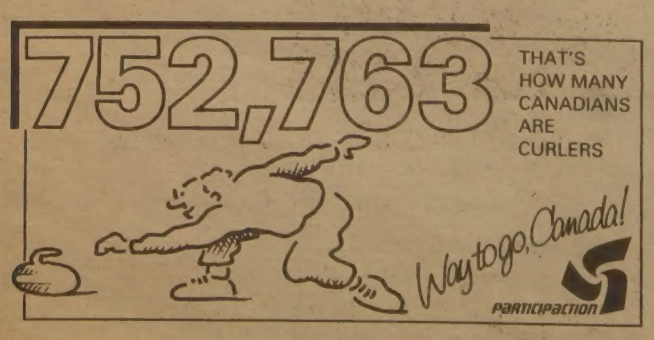
Niagara College incurred $310 in damages following the Brighton Rock pub Sept. 13 in the cafeteria.

Gary Guzda, property technician, said two bulbs worth $60 were damaged in the cafeteria and a garbage can worth $250 was missing. Mr. Guzda said garbage was thrown all over the area and some tables were turned upside down.

Jack Spittle, director of property and plant services, said he has no proof who did it.

"If I knew it was a student I would go after SAC (the Student Administrative Council) and SAC would go after the student," Mr. Spittle said. He said he would be disgusted if it was a student, but "We have a few crazy students who damage property."

Cass Howorth, SAC vice president of social affairs, said he did not know anything about such damage, Donna Flutur, SAC office manager, said, "We have not received any word about it, I guess it is not our damage."



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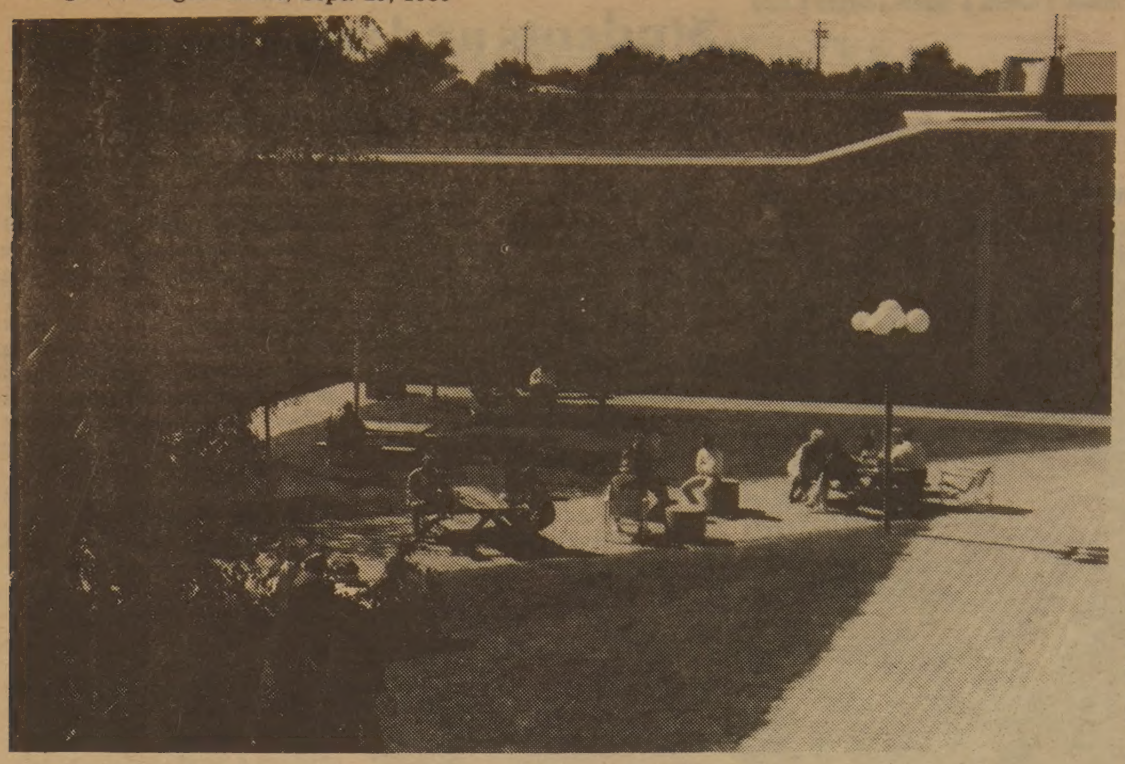
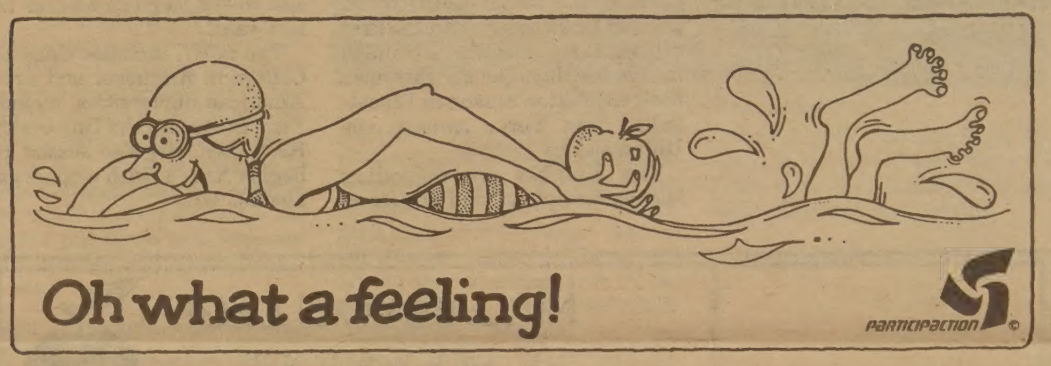


A view from the roof

During the first few weeks of school many students enjoyed their free time outdoors. This shot was taken from the roof above the Merritt building looking south over Manera Court. Four walls surrounding the court provide protection from cool September winds. With smoking banned in the building, it is also a nice place to enjoy a cigarette. Enjoy it now however, it's getting cooler and before you know it winter will be here.

Photo by Tony Post



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Bartender part-time for Cairn Croft Hotel, Niagara Falls, to work Fridays, Saturdays, 8pm to 2 am, and possibly Monday afternoon/evening. Contact Lise Constantinides, Cairn Croft Hotel, for application.

PART-TIME SALES POSITION at Photoshop, 145 St. Paul St., St. Catharines; camera knowledge preferred, but will train. Call Josh Duyvestein Jr, 688-4450 for interview.

CAR LOT ATTENDANT part-time for Thrifty Car Rental, St. Catharines, for Saturdays, 8am-5pm; Fridays, 4pm-7pm. Must be 20 years with active valid driver's license. Call Josie Esraelian, 688-4460, identify yourself as Niagara College Student.

Fitness attendant for Holiday Inn, St. Catharines, 14-17 hours per week. Evenings: 5:30 - 8:30; week-ends: 6:30am - 2:30 pm or 2:30 pm - 10:30. Send resume to Marina Pieneman, or apply in person. Do not call.

PART-TIME SECRETARY wanted for Country Garden Wholesale Florists, Farr Street, Fenwick; hours 2-6pm Monday to Thursday and Saturdays. Call Kathy Elmers, 892-5787 or 892-5039.

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